



# DESIGNS

FOR

## ORNAMENTAL PLATE,

MANY OF WHICH HAVE BEEN

## EXECUTED IN SILVER,

FROM

## ORIGINAL DRAWINGS.

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"INVENTION, STRICTLY SPEAKING, IS NOTHING MORE THAN A NEW COMBINATION OF THOSE IMAGES WHICH HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY GATHERED AND DEPOSITED IN THE MEMORY."

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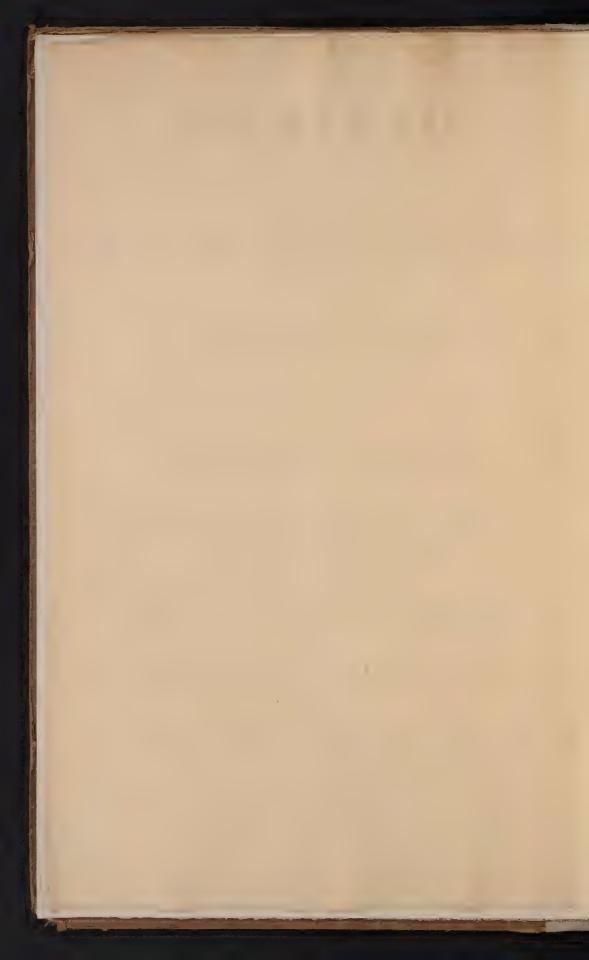
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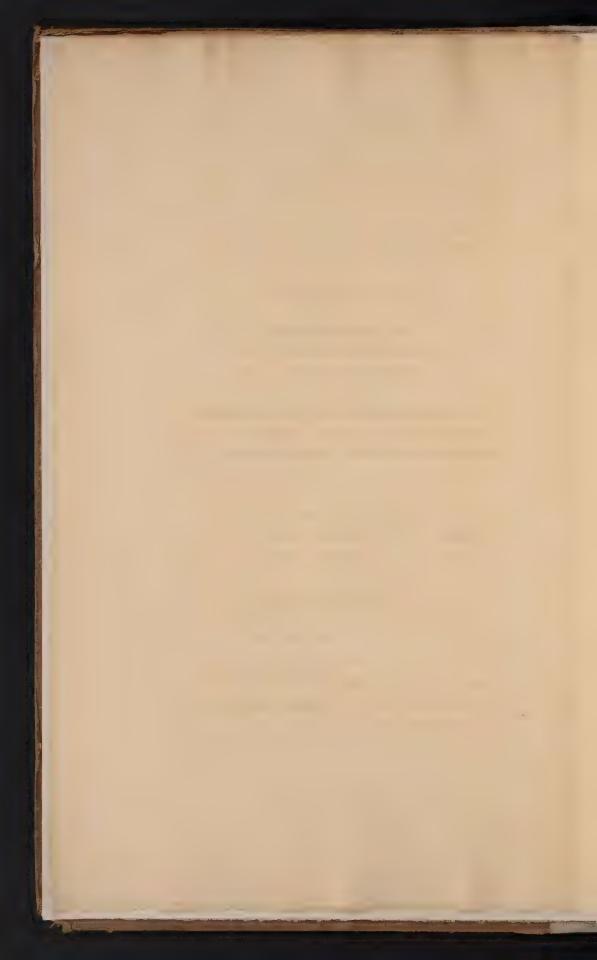
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## PREFACE.

To encourage and facilitate the study of the Antique, in its application to that species of Ornament commonly called Plate, has been my principal motive for this publication.

It has been lamented by Persons high in Rank, and eminent for Taste, that modern Plate had much fallen off both in design and execution from that formerly produced in this Country. Indeed, the truth of this remark is obvious, for instead of *Massiveness*, the principal characteristic of good Plate, light and insignificant forms have prevailed, to the utter exclusion of all good Ornament whatever.

If we consult the Works of the celebrated Italian Chasers, we find that richness of design was a principle ever regarded by them; in Skilfulness of Execution they indeed stand unrivalled.

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It forms no part of my purpose to go into a History of the Art of Chasing, or to decide when it was most patronized, or when it most flourished; but I think it is evident, that a familiar knowledge and study of the most approved antique Forms, are greatly wanting to modern Silversmiths, whose acquaintance with them cannot be too much cultivated; indeed, good Models can never be too often resorted to; they enlarge the powers of Invention, and tend to produce originality of Design.

Good Chasing may be considered as a branch of Sculpture, and as it is well known that excellence in this Art is only to be obtained by indefatigable study and labour, so it is constant application to Modelling alone that will form a good Chaser; when this is not steadily regarded, the Art must inevitably decline, and instead of Objects fitted to excite the admiration of Persons of real taste, nothing is to be expected but Sconces, Girandoles, and Candlesticks, fit only for the dazzle of an Assembly House, or of a Country Ball-Room.

I am aware that these remarks will be unacceptable to some dealers in these Articles; but the fine Arts disdain the Shackles that would be imposed on them by minds looking only to gain.

The young Chaser may doubt whether the success of the study which I am endeavouring to enforce, will be equal to his labour; but he need not fear;—he should recollect that he lives in a rich, liberal, and enlightened

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Country; where merit, accompanied by Perseverance and Industry, never goes long unrewarded.

It must be acknowledged, that the Specimens here given, are not of great variety, still I hope they will afford some important assistance, both to the Silversmith, and the Chaser; and if so, I shall feel no regret for the time I have expended upon a Publication, which some may consider as a little foreign to my present more important Engagements.

I have subjoined a few examples of forms from Etruscan Vases, many of which are applicable to the Articles of Plate most commonly executed by Silversmiths, and to each design is added a Scale of proportions.

C. H. TATHAM.

York-Place, London, April, 1806.

The Author's last extensive Work, Etchings, representing the best Examples of Ancient Ornamental Architecture, drawn from the Originals in Rome, and other Parts of Italy, may be had of T. Gardiner, Princes-Street, Cavendish-Square; Price Four Guineas, Boards.

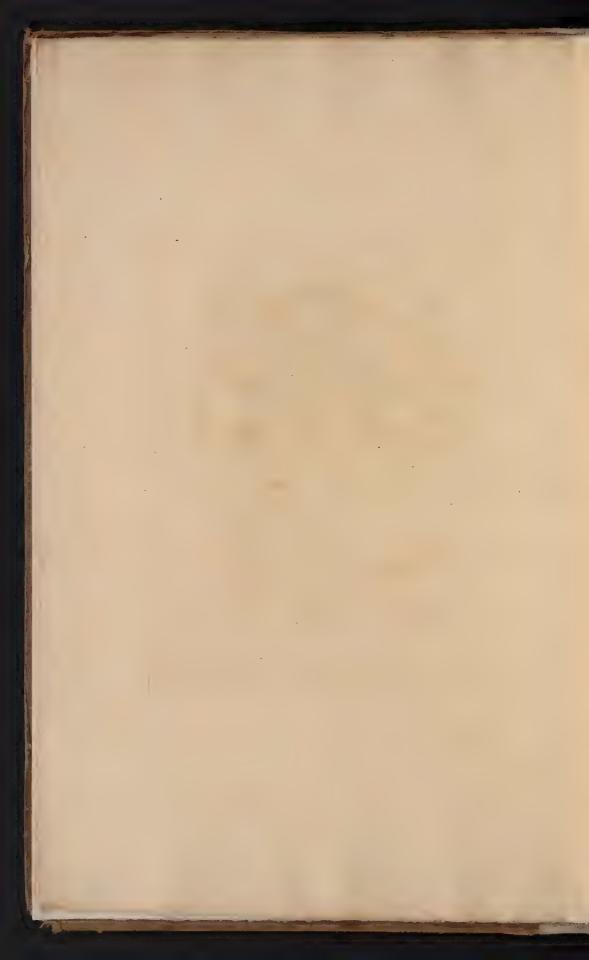


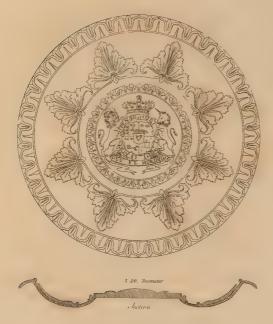


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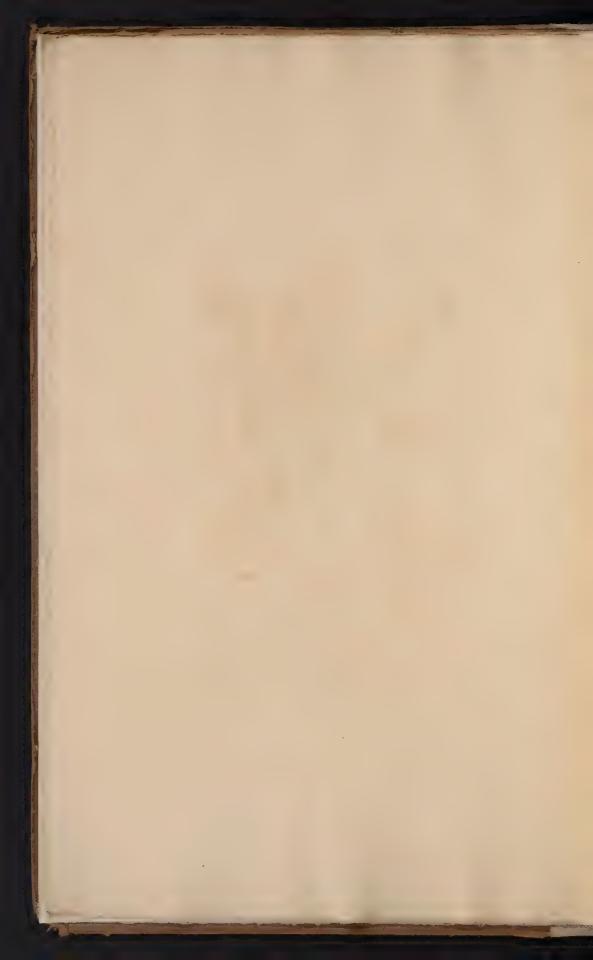


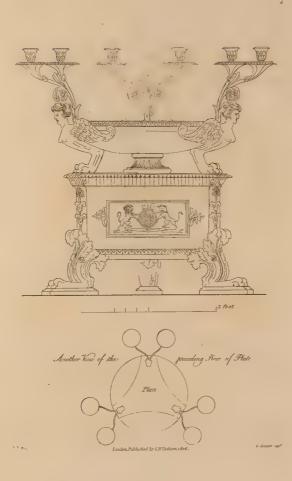


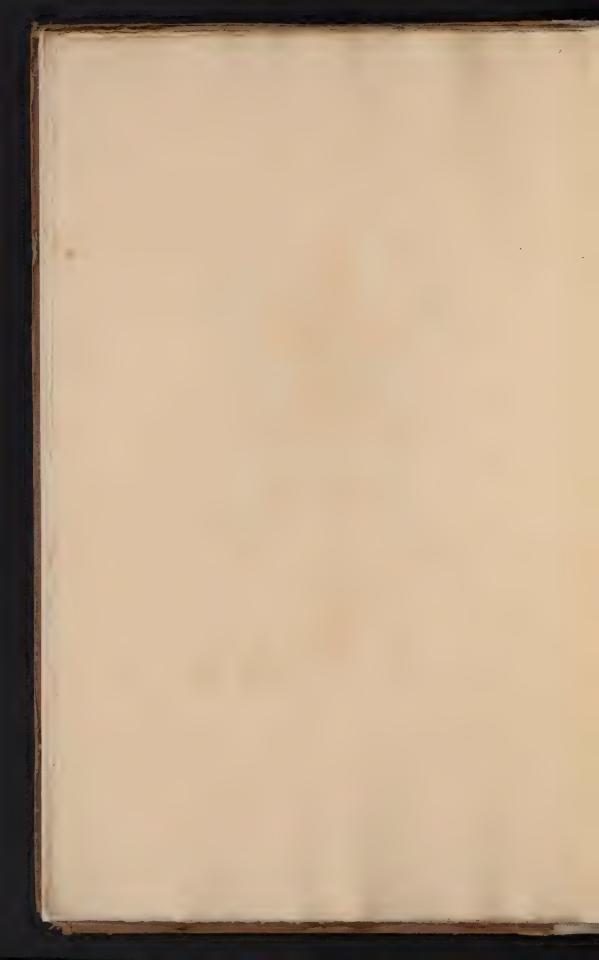
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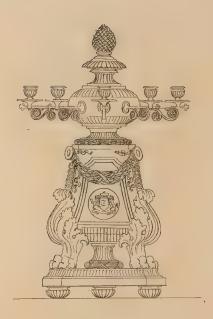
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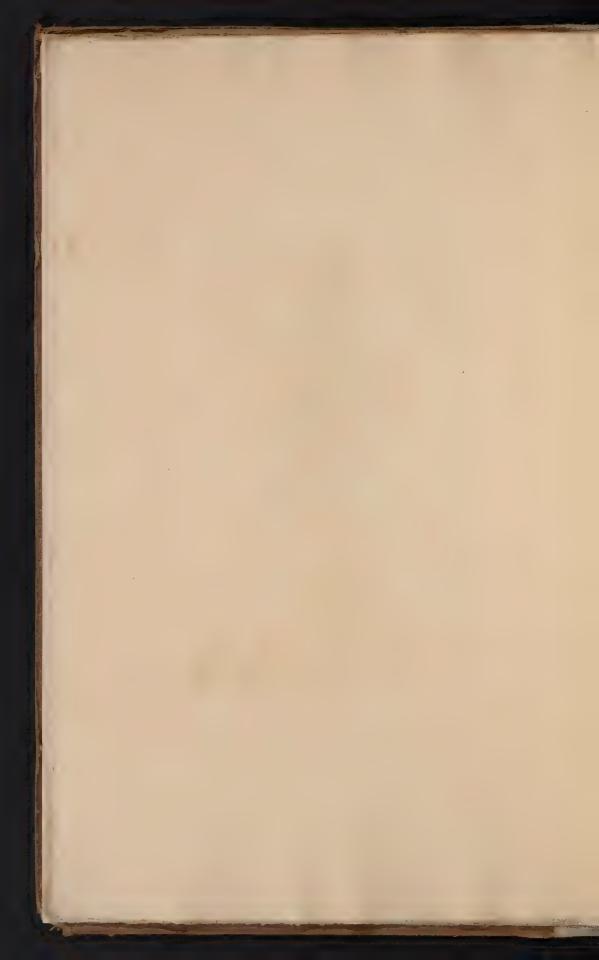


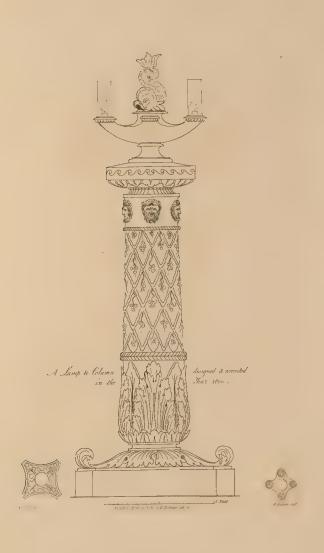
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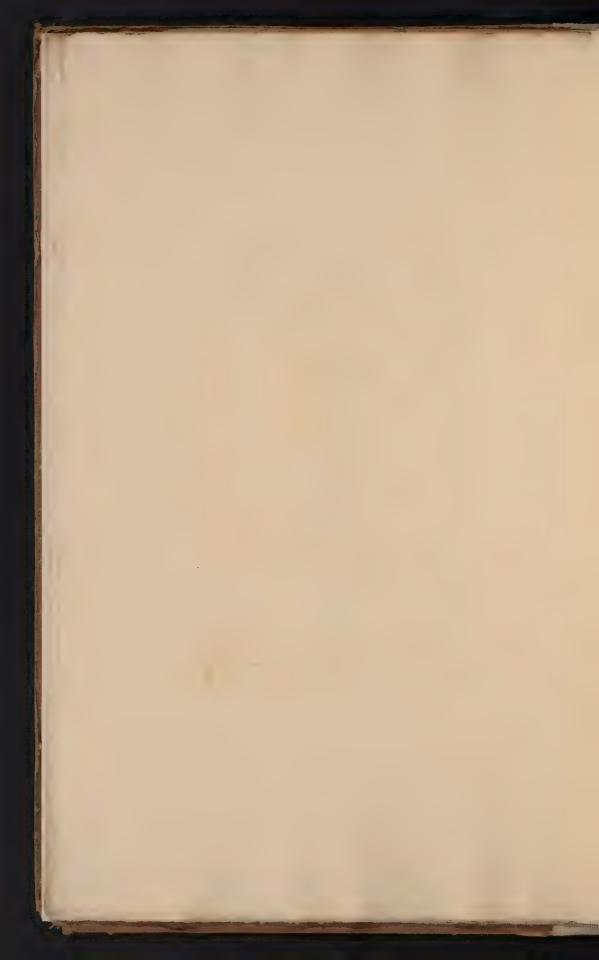


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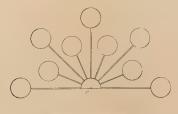




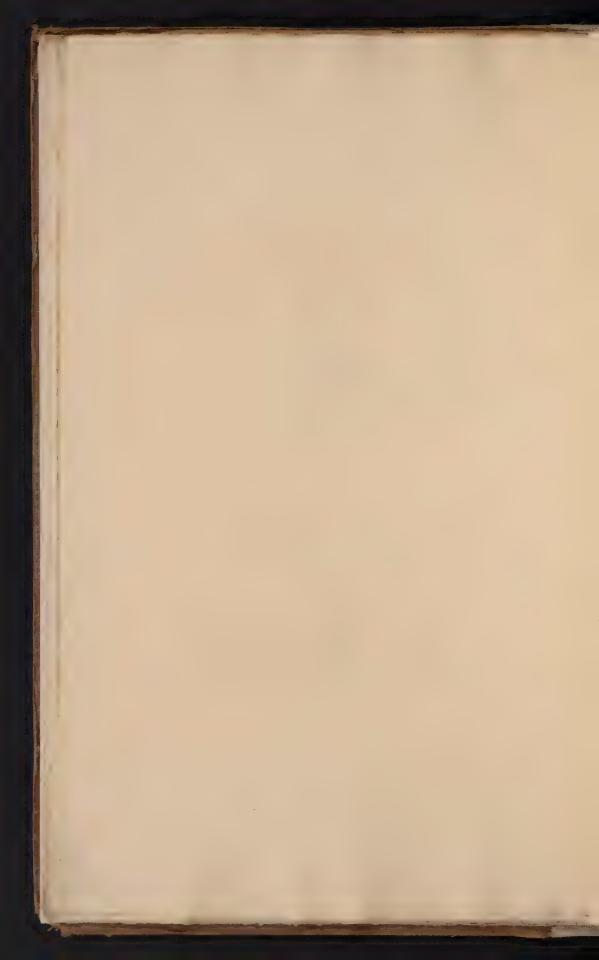


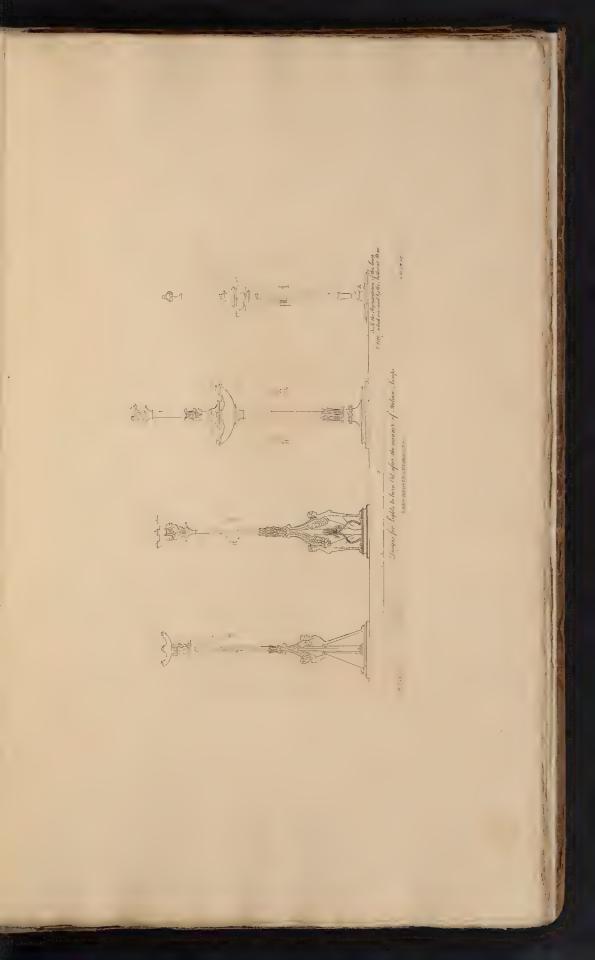


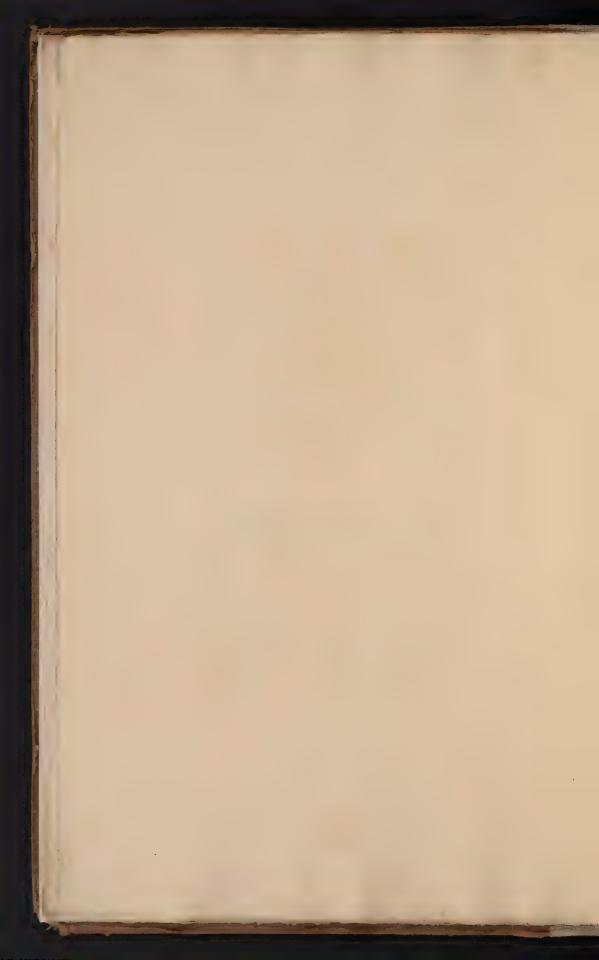
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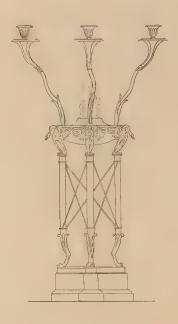


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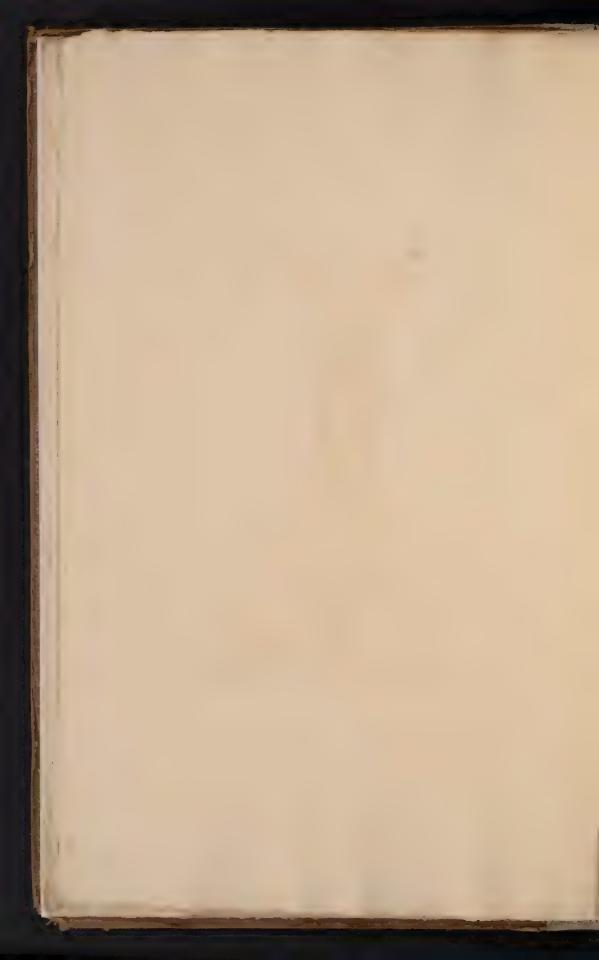




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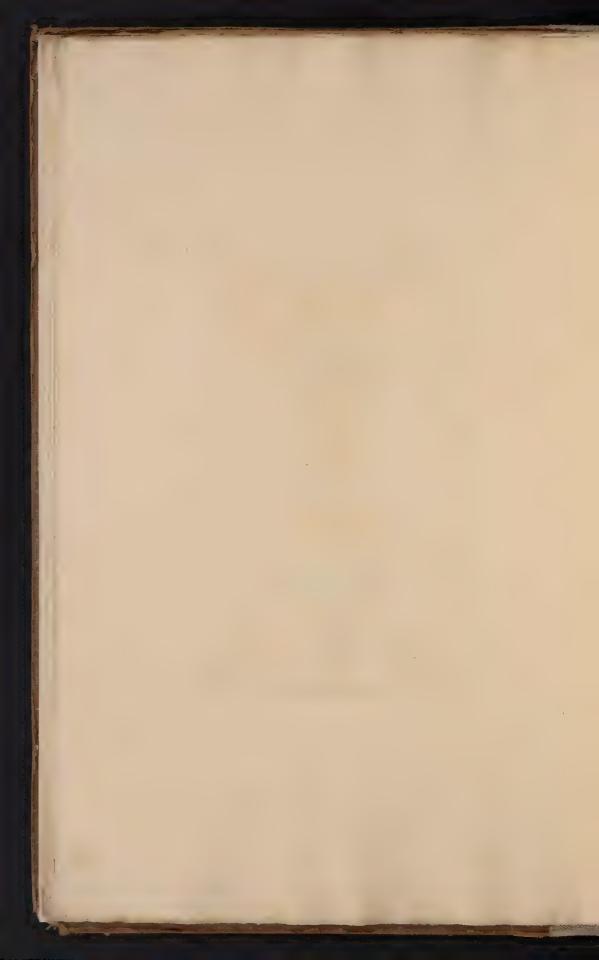


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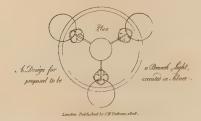




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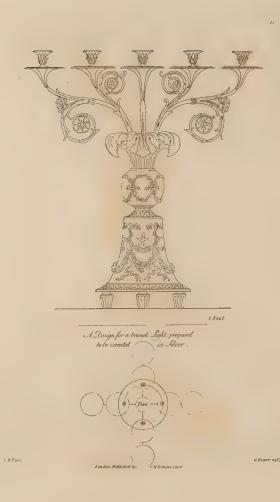




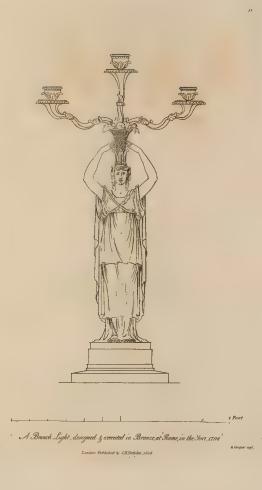
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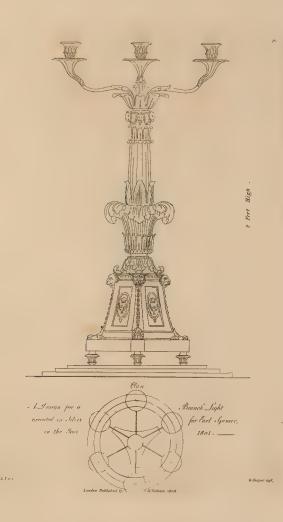


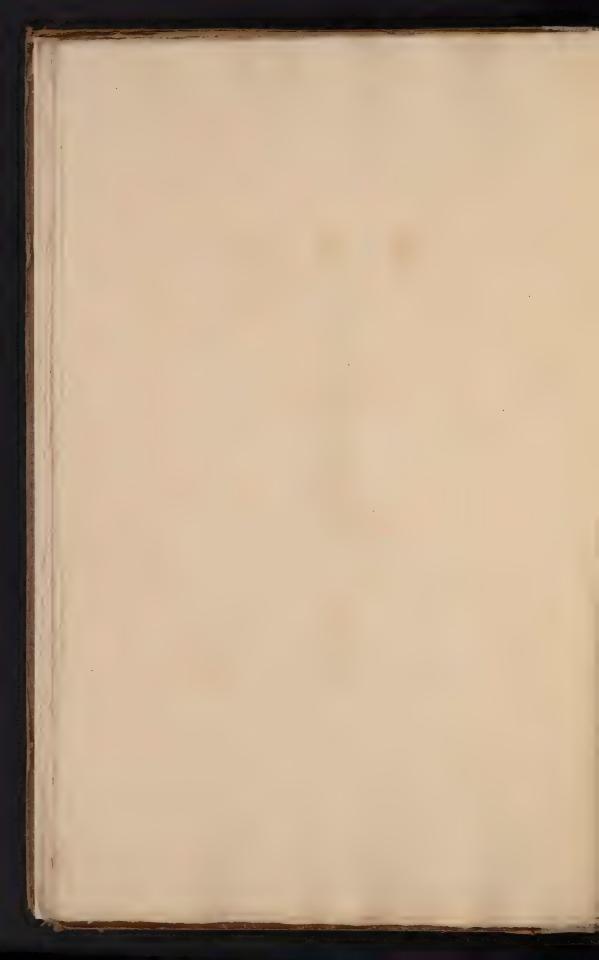


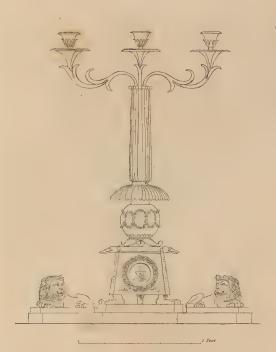












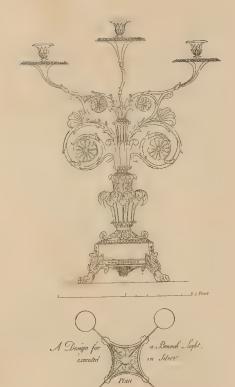
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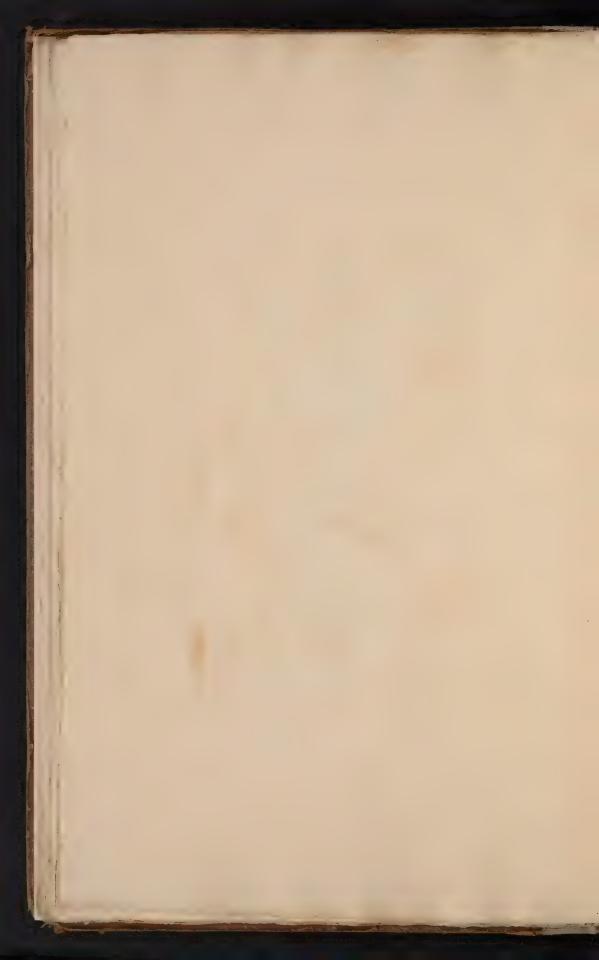




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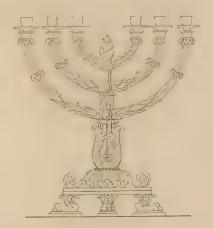
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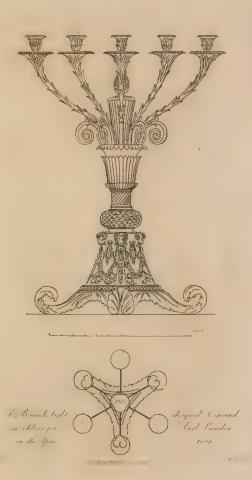
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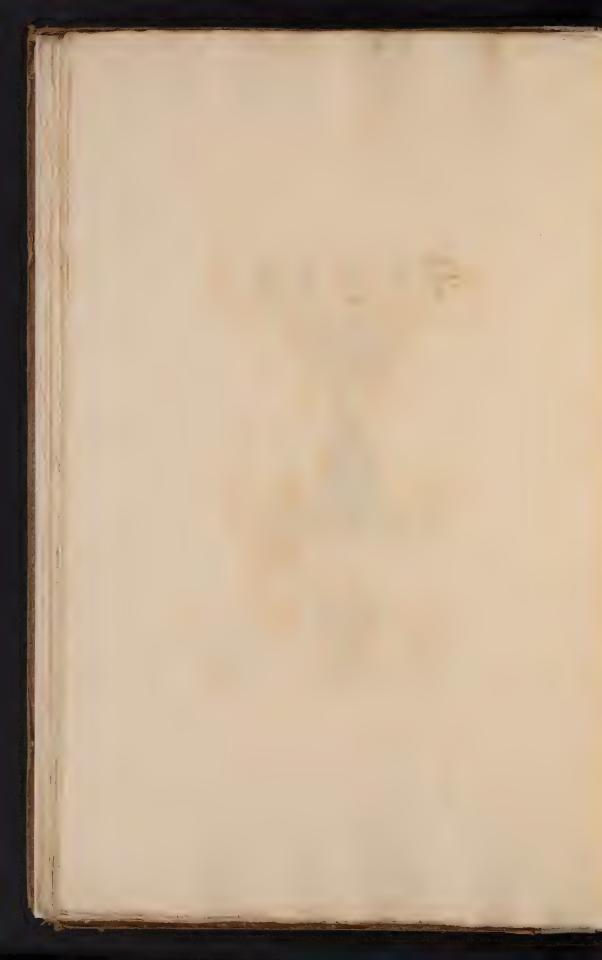
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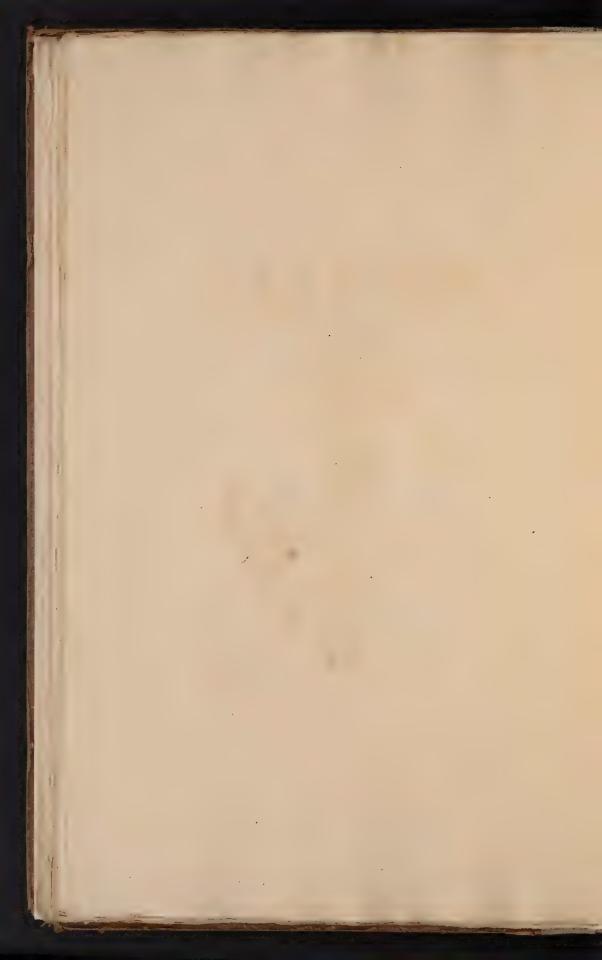
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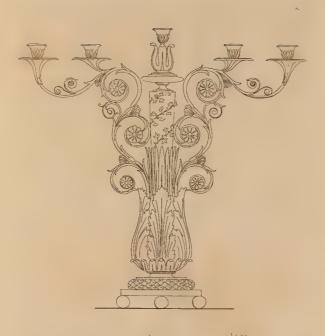










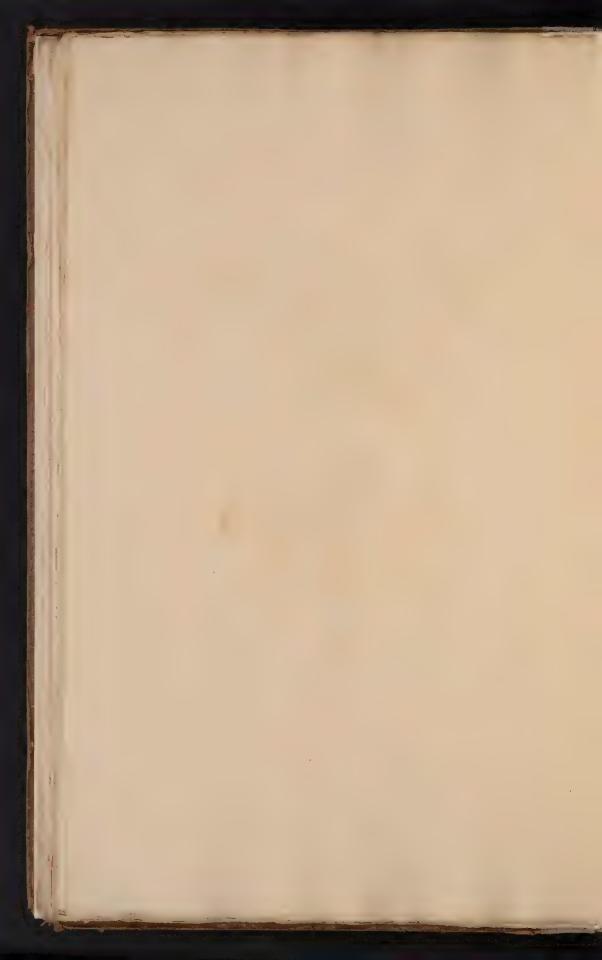


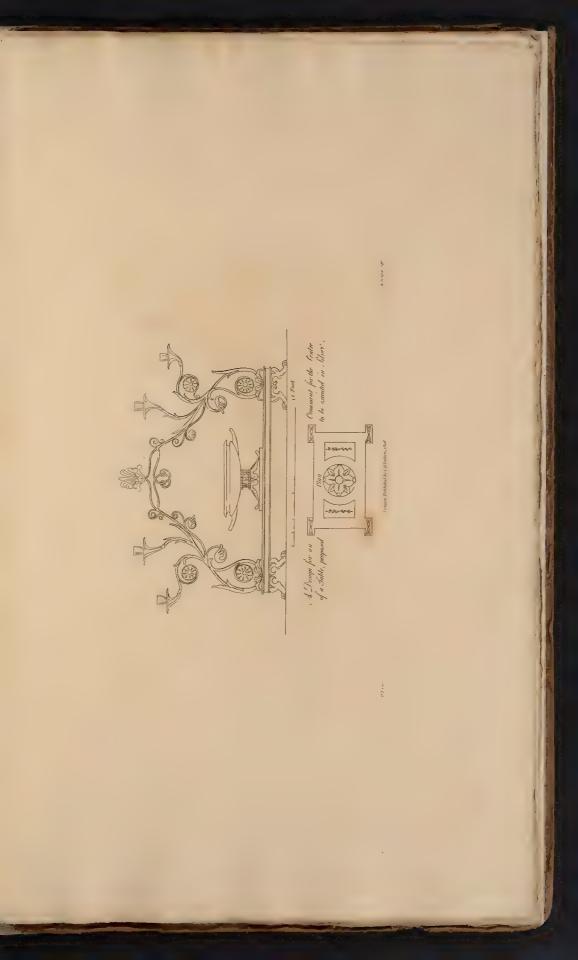
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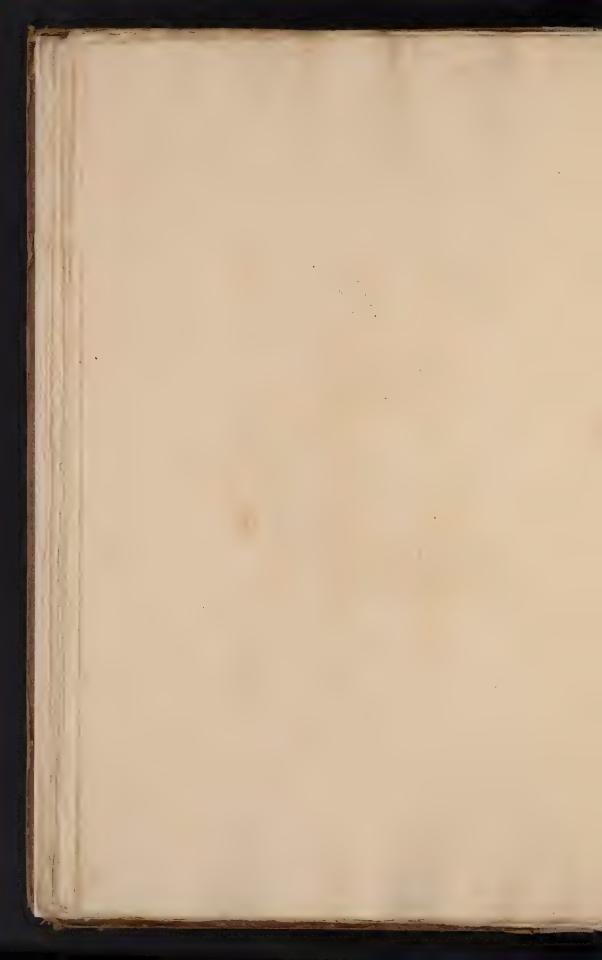
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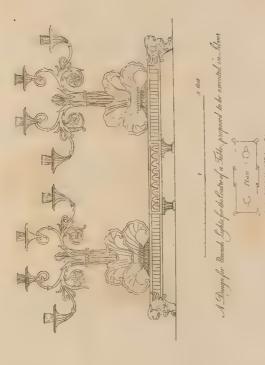
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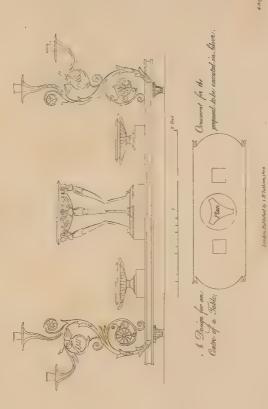




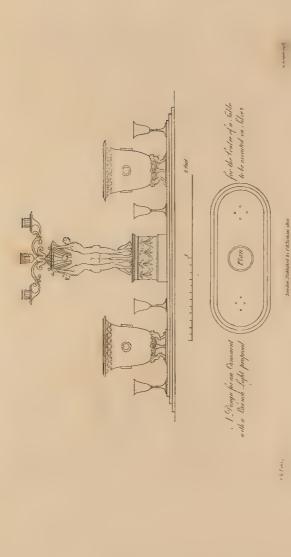
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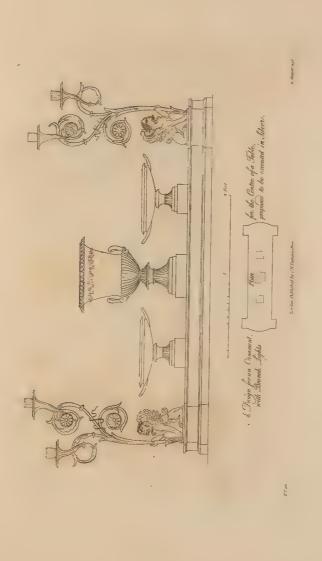




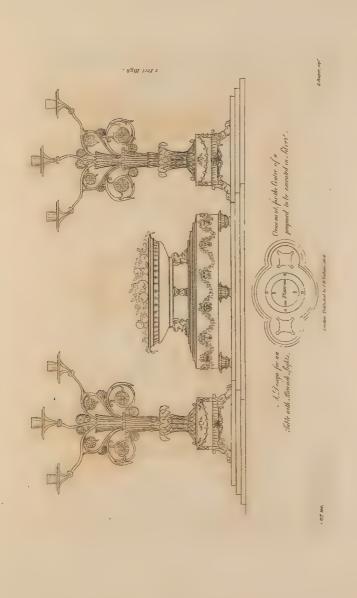




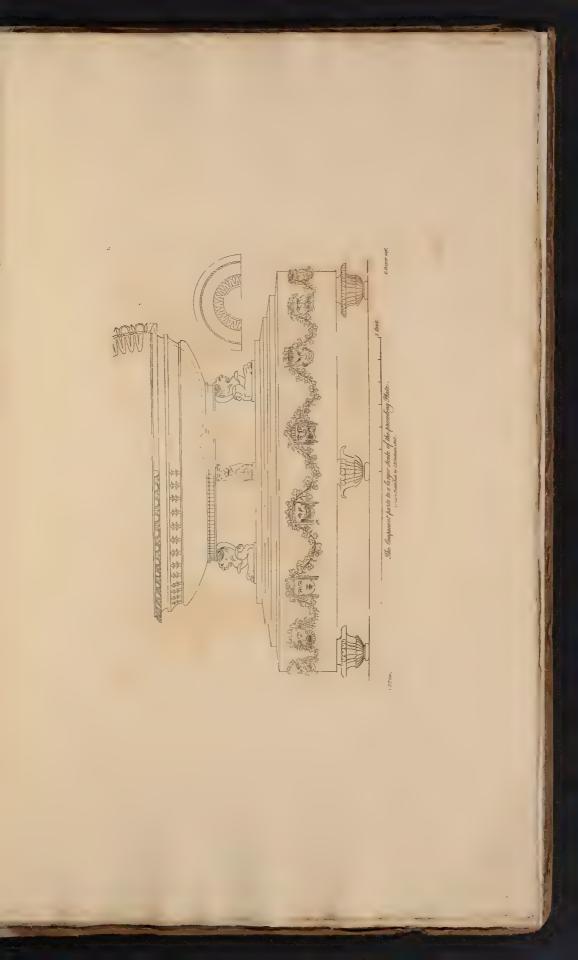


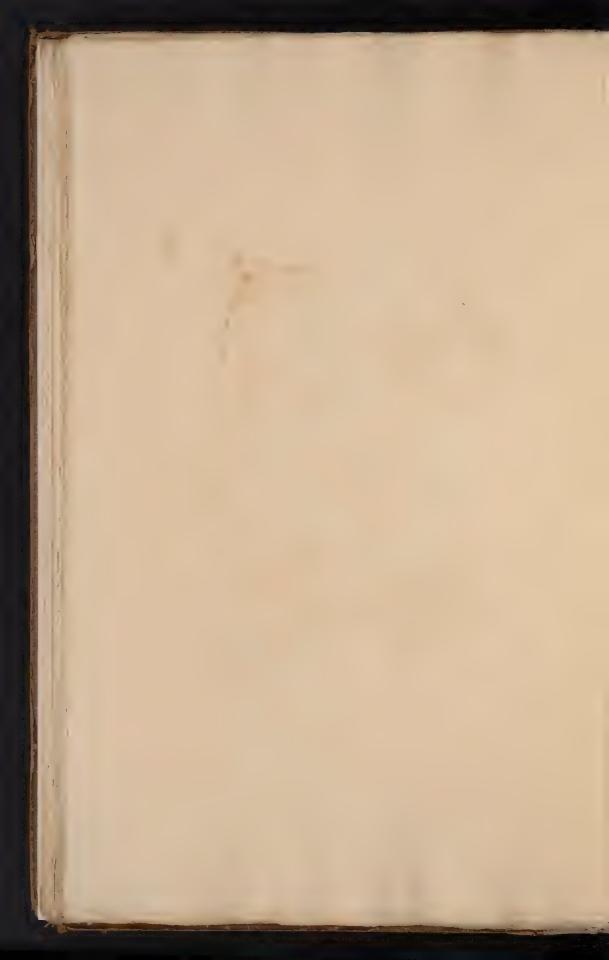


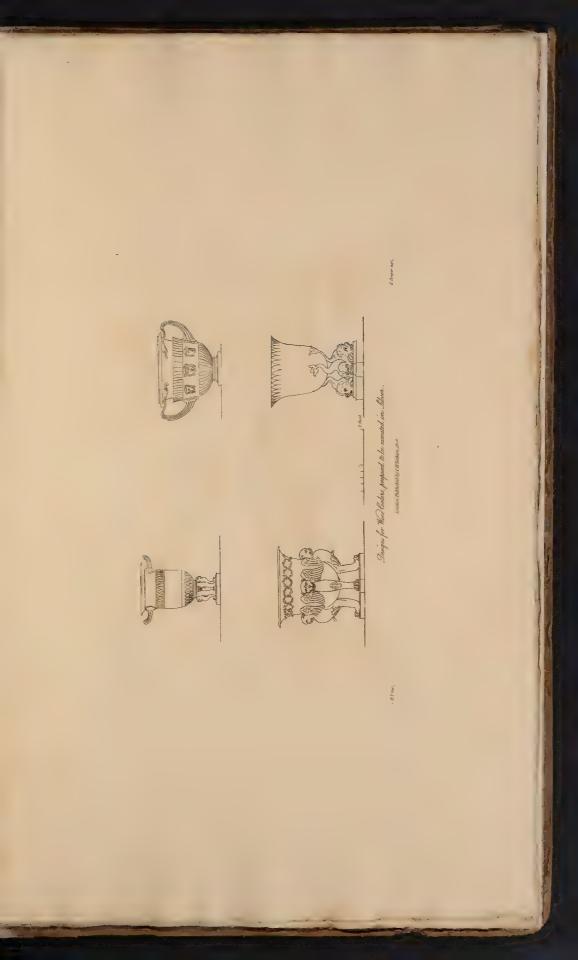


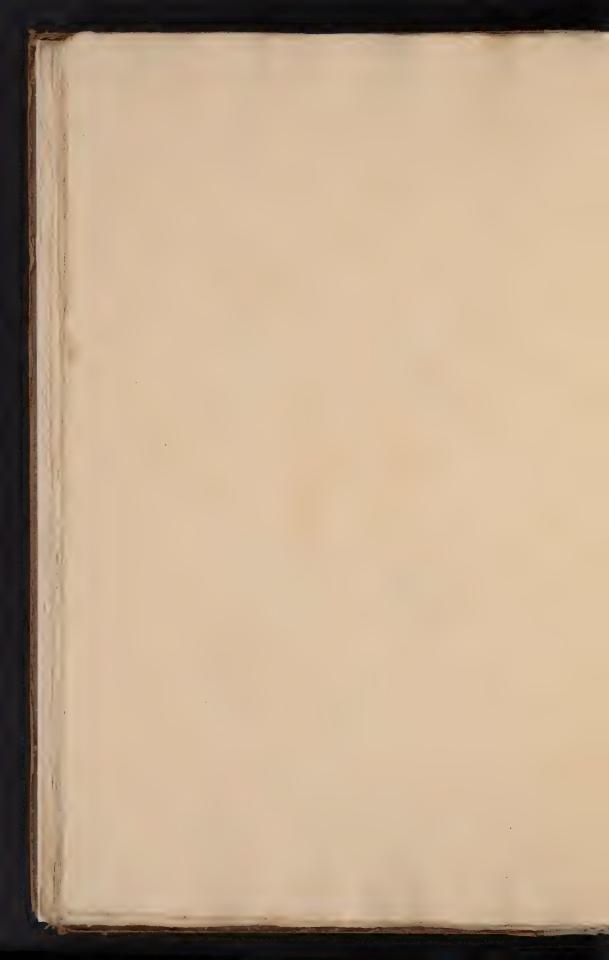


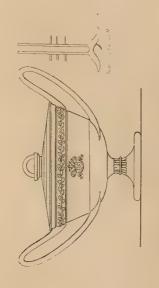










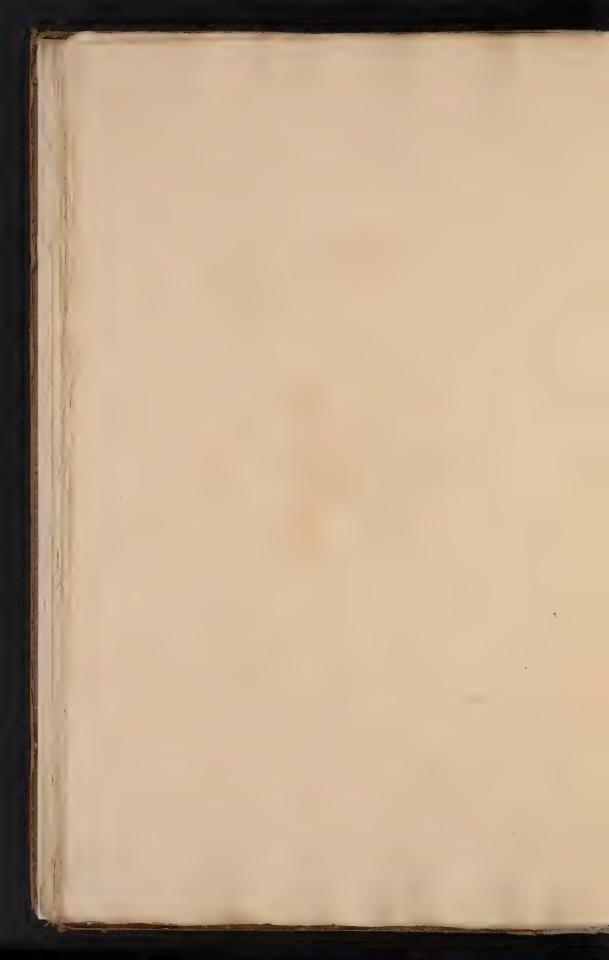


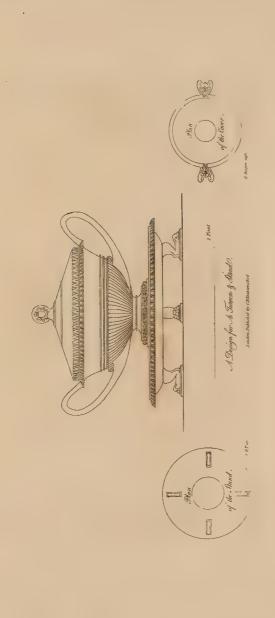
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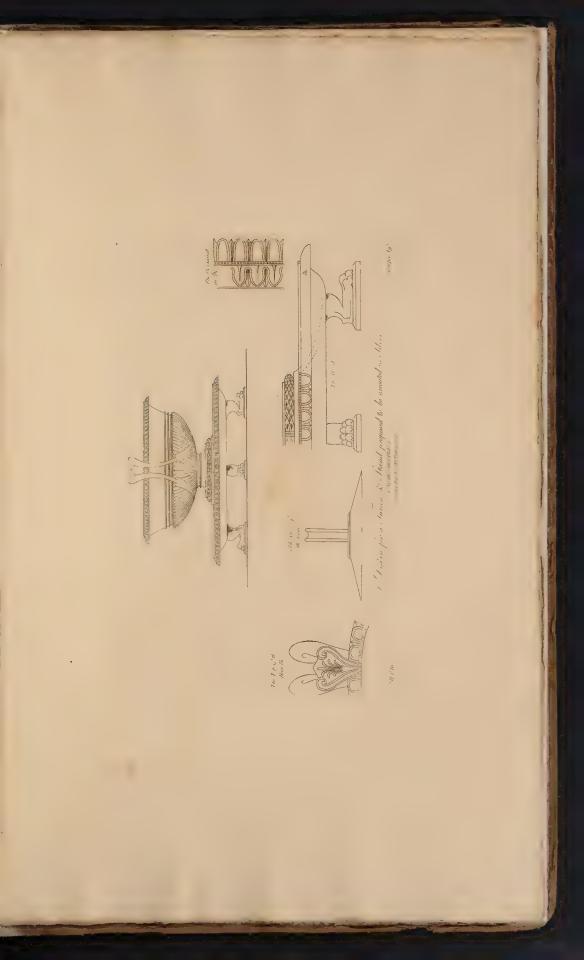
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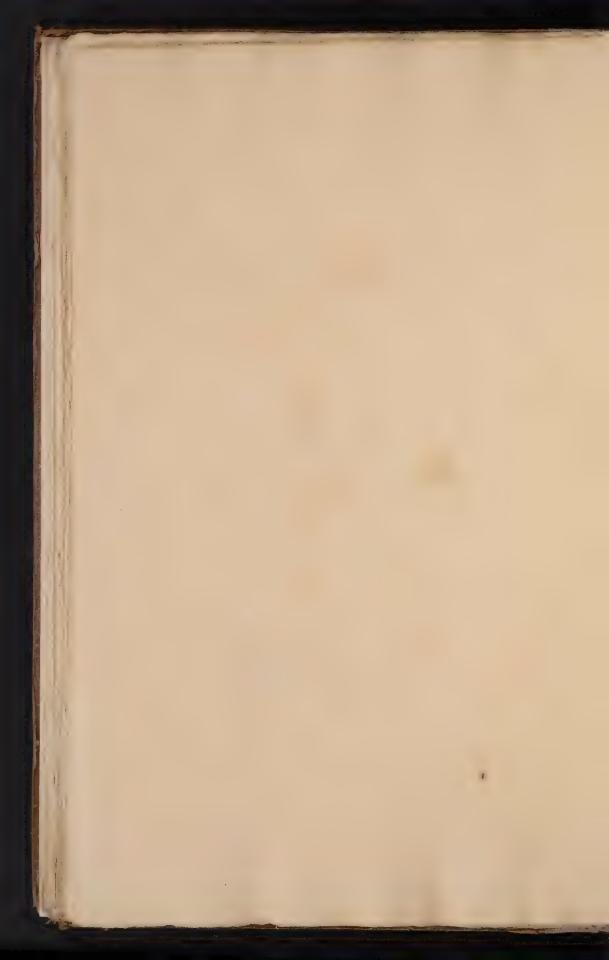
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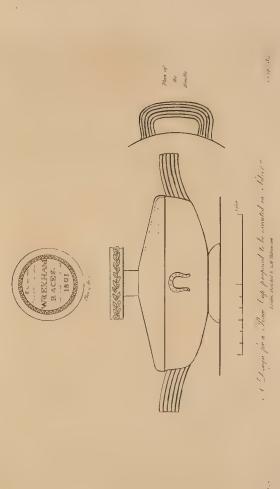




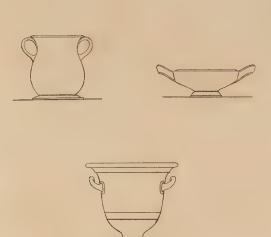














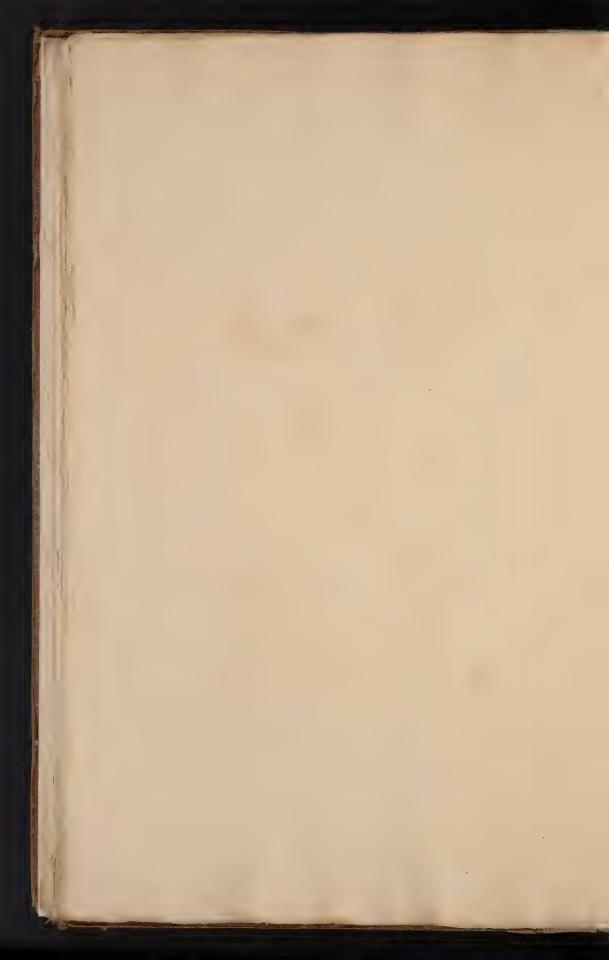


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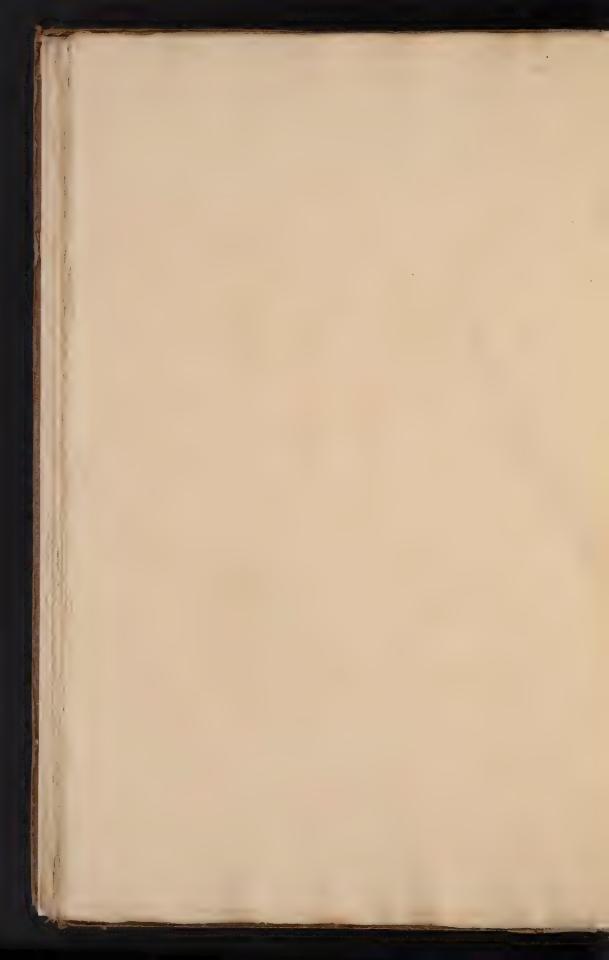


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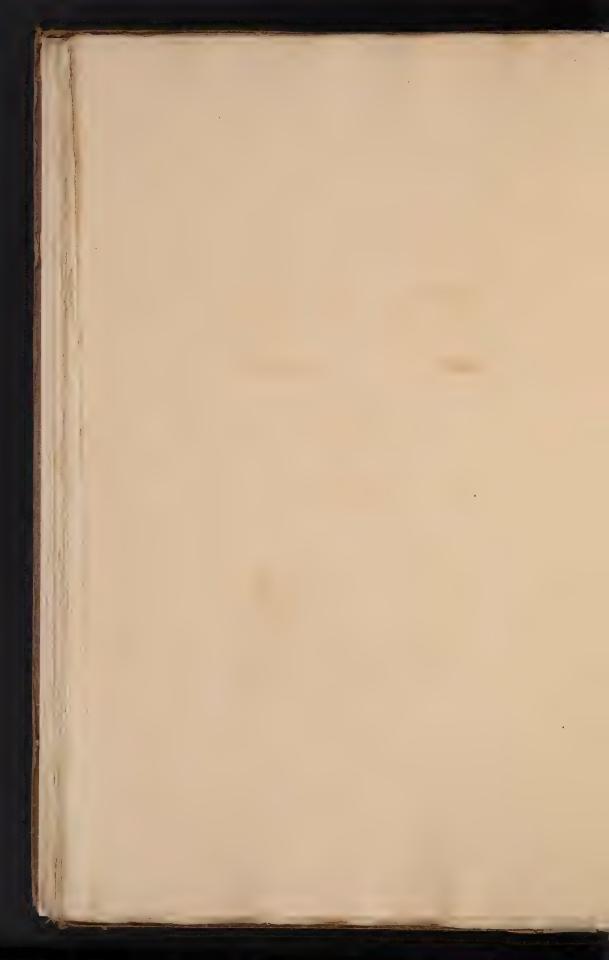


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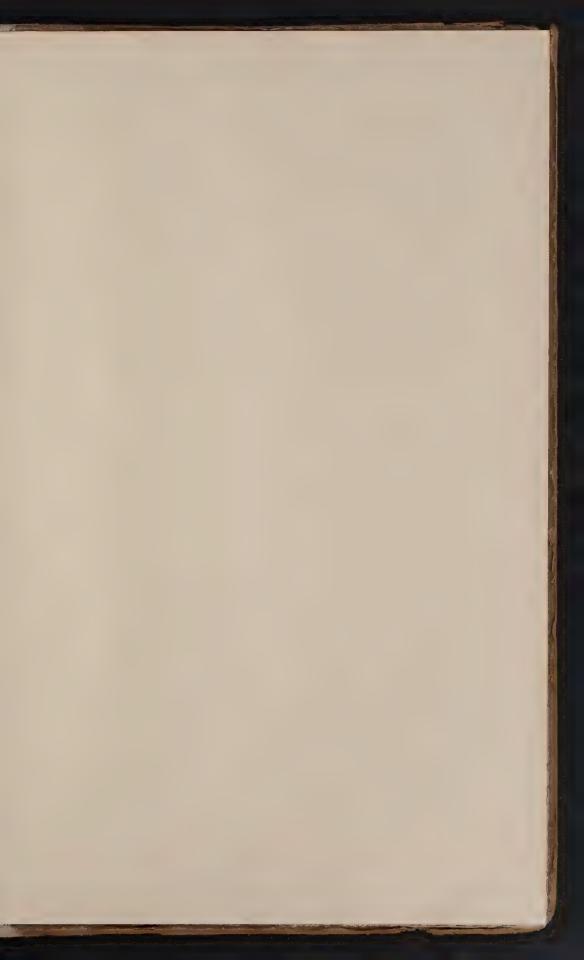
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- The Library, recently built at Grosvenor-Place. The Town Residence of the Earl of Carlisle.
- The Cemetery and Park Gates, for Sir P. Murray, Bart. of Ochtertyre, North Britain.
- The Park Gate and Cottages, executed for the late Honourable Edward Foley, at Stoke, in Herefordshire.
- The Drawing Room, as finished at Stoke, in the Year 1800.
- The Monument, executed in Stoke Church, to the Memory of the Honourable Edward Foley, deceased.
- The Plans and Elevations of the House, Offices, Stables, Gardener's House and Lodge, at Lynedock, in Perthshire, now commenced building for Colonel Thomas Graham, Member of Parliament for Perth.
- The Lodges for the Grounds, at Balgowan, the present Residence of Colonel Graham.
- The New House and Offices, designed to be built for Colonel Moray, of Abercairney, North Britain.
- The Doric Portico, the Park Elevation, the Picture Gallery, and other Works, executed in the Year 1803, 4, 5, and 6, at Cleveland-House, St. James's, the Town Residence of the Marquis of Stafford.
- The Alterations at Trentham Hall and Offices, in Staffordshire; the Seat of the Marquis of Stafford, with the New Fountain, Greenhouse, Park-Bridges, and the New Lodge.
- The Cemetery, now building at Trentham.
- The Greenhouse, Dairy, Gardener's House, and other Works, now building at Dropmore, in Bucks, the Seat of the Right Honourable Lord Greaville.
- The Alterations at Wilton Park, in Bucks, the Seat of James Dupre, Esq. M.P. with the Dairy and Greenhouse, as executed in the Years 1803, 4, 5.
- The Picture Gallery, now building at Brockelsby, in Lincolnshire, the Seat of the Right Hon. Lord Yarborough.
- The Entrance Lodge, and Fisherman's Hut, executed for William Butt, Esq. at Cheshunt Nunnery, in Hertfordshire, with the Improvements to the House and Offices now building.
- Lord Dillon's Library, at Ditchley, in Oxfordshire, with the Shooting Box, designed to be built in the Park.
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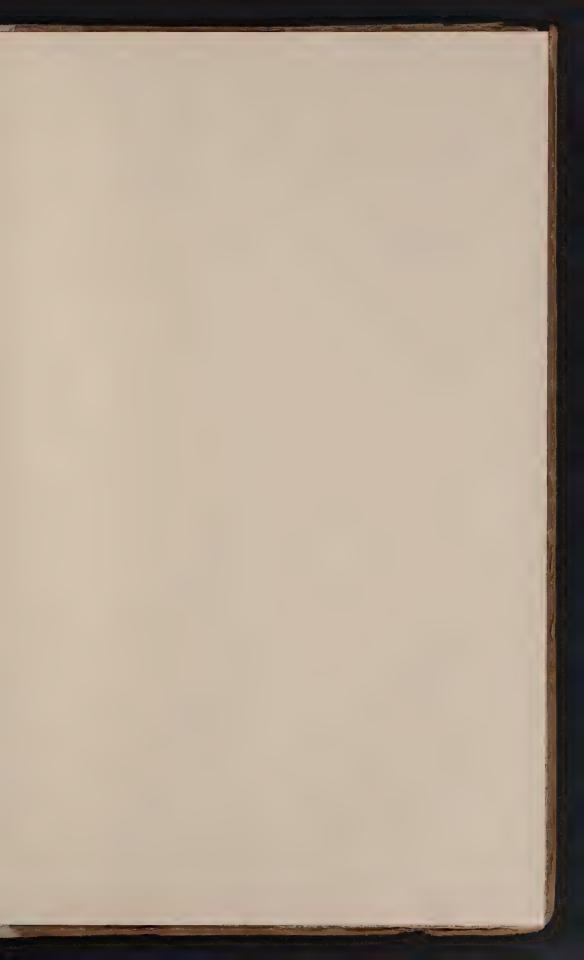


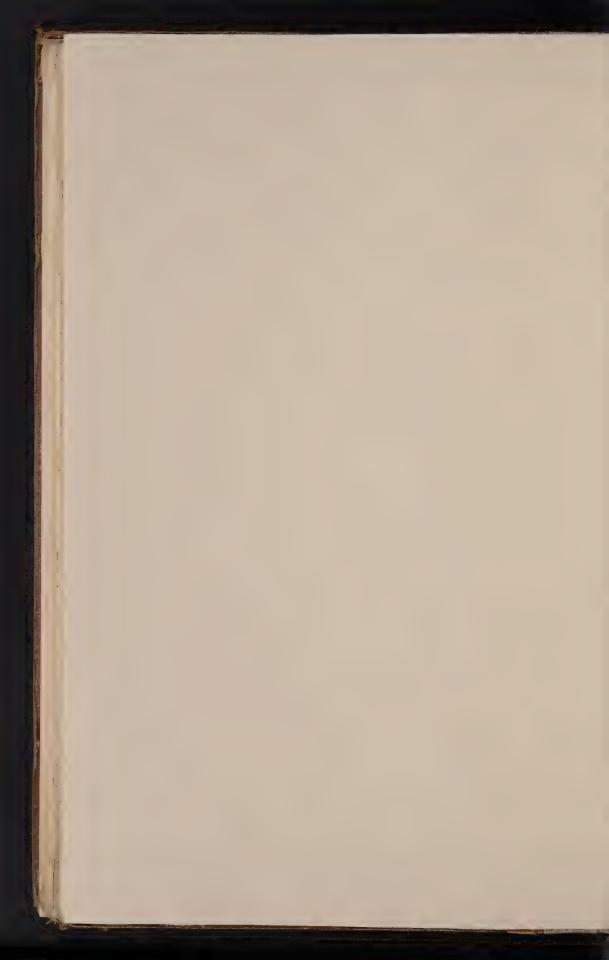
















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